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Sir:

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Applicants further bring to the examiner's attention a copending and commonly assigned patent application filed on even date herewith entitled "Method For Carbonylation Of Lower Aliphatic Alcohols Using Tin Promoted Platinum Catalyst", attorney docket no. 70896. A copy of this application is enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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